

Revelation 5:1-14
The Throne Room of God—part 2 (the Son emphasized)

- 1) The angel's invitation to open the Father's scroll—5:1-6
 - a) Scene # 1—The Father's scroll—5:1
 - i) To His right side
 - ii) An unusual scroll—*written on the inside and the outside, sealed with seven seals.*
 - (1) Cf. Ezekiel 2:9-10; known as an opisthograph (written on both sides)
 - (2) Contains the future history of judgment and inauguration of the kingdom
 - b) Scene # 2—Who has the credentials to open the scroll?—5:2-5
 - i) The strong angel's invitation—5:2 *"Who is worthy ... ?"*
 - ii) John's tearful response to the invitation—5:3-4
 - (1) Universal inability and unworthiness—5:3
 - (2) John's sorrow over universal unworthiness—5:4
 - iii) The elder's good news of the powerful Lion—5:5 *Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David* (cf. 22:16), *has **conquered*** (emphatic, cf. John 16:33); *He is the One opening the scroll and its seven seals.*
 - (1) Cf. Genesis 49:9-10; Isaiah 11:1-10
- 2) The worthiness of the seemingly powerless Lamb—5:6-14
 - a) Scene # 3—transferring the scroll—5:6-10
 - i) His location—5:6a
 - ii) His 5-fold description—5:6b (cf. Isaiah 53:7)
 - (1) Lamb (the Lion of 5:5), standing, having been slaughtered at one time (now resurrected), seven horns (omnipotent), seven eyes (omniscience, cf. 4:5)
 - iii) His approach to the Father—5:7
 - iv) His acknowledgment in song—5:8-10
 - (1) Hymn # 1—(in 2nd person) by the living beings and elders *"You are worthy ...*
 - (a) To do what? *to take the scroll and to open its seals,*
 - (b) Why? *because You ...* (3 actions)
 - (i) *were slaughtered* [aor. pass. ind.], *and have redeemed us to God in* (i.e. at the cost of) *Your blood out of every tribe and language and people and nation,* ¹⁰ *and have made them kings and priests to our God, and they will reign upon the earth."*
 - b) Scene # 4—universal tribute—5:11-14
 - i) Hymn # 2—(in 3rd person) by the incalculable (100's of millions) number of inhabitants in heaven—5:11-12 (cf. Daniel 7:10; Hebrews 12:22)
 - (1) *"Worthy is the slaughtered Lamb to receive* (from the Father) *...*
 - (a) What 7 things? *power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing!"*
 - ii) Hymn # 3—(in 3rd person) by every creature in the universe—5:13-14
 - (1) *"To the One sitting upon the throne* (Father) *and to the Lamb* (Son) *be ...*
 - (a) What 4 things? *blessing and honor and glory and dominion* (sovereignty) *forever and ever* (lit. "unto the ages of the ages"). *Amen."*
 - (2) The response in heaven—5:14
 - (a) ¹⁴ *And the four living beings said the Amen,*
 - (b) *and the elders fell down and worshiped.*